

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently amended)      An editing apparatus comprising:

an edit list recognition unit for recognizing an edit list describing edit contents in a general-purpose data description language, the edit contents used for creating a series of video content by editing a plurality of edit material;

a video content creation unit for creating the video content by performing an editing process on the plurality of edit material based on the edit contents of the edit list wherein the video content creation unit creates the video content by executing the editing process after converting the plurality of edit material into a prescribed edit format suitable for the editing process and extracting desired video content of the plurality of edit material based on a plurality of edit point information;

an editing processor for performing an editing process on the video content created by the video content creation unit; and

an edit list creation unit for creating a new edit list described in the general-purpose data description language based on the editing process executed by the editing processor.

2. (Original)      The editing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

the edit list recognition unit recognizes the edit list describing effect information and meta data information as contents of the editing process.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Original)      The editing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

the edit list recognition unit recognizes the edit list described in an XML (eXtensible Markup Language) as the general-purpose data description language.

5. (Original)           The editing apparatus according to claim 4, wherein  
  
                          the edit list recognition unit recognizes the edit list described in an SMIL  
(Synchronized Multimedia Integration language) in which the XML is specialized for video data  
and audio data.

6. (Currently amended)       An editing method comprising:  
  
                          an edit list recognition step of recognizing an edit list in which edit contents are  
described in a general-purpose data description language, the edit contents used for creating a series  
of video content by editing a plurality of edit material;

                          a video content creation step of creating the video content by performing an editing  
process on the plurality of edit material based on the edit contents of the edit list wherein the video  
content creation step creates the video content by executing the editing process after converting the  
plurality of edit material into a prescribed edit format suitable for the editing process and extracting  
desired video content of the plurality of edit material based on a plurality of edit point information;

                          an editing processing step of performing the editing process on the video content  
created in the video content creation step; and

                          an edit list creation step of creating a new edit list described in the general-purpose  
data description language based on the editing process executed in the editing processing step.

7. (New) The editing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

                          said plurality of edit point information indicates IN-points and OUT-points of said  
edit list.

8. (New) The editing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein

said plurality of edit point information indicates IN-points and OUT-points of said edit list.